**STATEMENT**

| S.No. | Name of District | Waiting list as on 30.11.96 |
|---|---|---|
| 1. | Bhopal | 8042 |
| 2. | Sehore | 640 |
| 3. | Jabalpur | 5503 |
| 4. | Khargone | 419 |
| 5. | Mandsaur | 926 |
| 6. | Jhabua | 337 |
| 7. | Ratlam | 1649 |
| 8. | Datia | 379 |
| 9. | Gwalior | 1995 |
| 10. | Bhind | 582 |
| 11. | Morena | 648 |
| 12. | Indore | 5046 |
| 13. | Dhar | 613 |
| 14. | Ujjain | 2068 |
| 15. | Dewas | 958 |
| 16. | Raipur | 2989 |
| 17. | Durg | 7483 |
| 18. | Rajnandgaon | 1032 |
| 19. | Jagdalpur | 1392 |
| 20. | Hoshengabad | 1895 |
| 21. | Khandwa | 1357 |
| 22. | Betul | 1358 |
| 23. | Chhindwara | 988 |
| 24. | Balaghat | 294 |
| 25. | Mandla | 90 |
| 26. | Narsingpur | 760 |
| 27. | Seoni | 160 |
| 28. | Sagar | 1206 |
| 29. | Bilaspur | 6102 |
| 30. | Raigarh | 632 |
| 31. | Rewa | 1132 |
| 32. | Sidhi | 484 |
| 33. | Panna | 196 |
| 34. | Satna | 1503 |
| 35. | Sarguja | 1213 |
| 36. | Shahdol | 1199 |
| 37. | Chhatarpur | 586 |
| 38. | Damoh | 241 |
| 39. | Tikamgarh | 99 |
| 40. | Guna | 363 |
| 41. | Rajarh | 352 |
| 42. | Shajapur | 217 |
| 43. | Shivpuri | 543 |
| 44. | Raisen | 510 |
| 45. | Vidisha | 426 |

*[English]*

**Shortage of Coaches**

4002. SHRI BASU DEB ACHARIA :
DR. ASIM BALA :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that there are shotrate of coaches and the use of defective or overaged coaches may create risk of life to passengers and employees;

(b) if so, whether the Government are considering to build a third coach manufacturing plant; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) : (a) There is no shotrage of coaches for meeting with the bare requirement of scheduled train services. Railways do not use defective coaches. All coaches are given periodic maintenance schedules and are inspected after each trip. No defective coach is allowed to carry passengers.

The term overaged means end of theoretical useful economic life and is used for planning. As and when the coaches approach the end of their theoretical useful economic life, they are examined and based on their condition, they are phased out.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) The current manufacturing capacity is adequate to meet the requirement of the Railways.

**Introduction of Trains**

4003. SHRI HANNAN MOLLAH : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have received any communication dated July 2, 1996 from the Howrah-Amta-Champadhanga-Shiakhala Jatri Samity for the introduction of more trains, increase in frequency of trains and speed up services in Howrah-Bargachia section;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether more trains have to be provided in this section; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) : (a) and (b). A representation from the Howrah-Amta-Champadhanga-Shiakhala Jatri Samity has been received regarding improvement of train services in the Howrah-Bargachia section.

(c) and (d): Introduction of additional services, including those in the Howrah-Bargachia section, is a

continuous process subject to operational feasibility, resource availability and traffic justification. Introduction of new services in Howrah-Bargachia section is presently not proposed on account of operational and resource constraints.

*[Translation]*

**Running of Railway Trolley Passenger**

4004. SHRI CHANDRESH PATEL : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the railway trolley passenger of the Western Railway in Rajkot Division runs between Rajkot to Khambhaliya and Khambhaliya to Rajkot on broad gauge line and arrives at Khambhaliya at 10 p.m. and after halting there for eight hours departs from Khambhaliya in the morning for Rajkot;

(b) if so, whether it is not the misuse of diesel of trolley passenger by halting it for eight hours at Khambhaliya;

(c) if so, whether the public has demanded to extend it upto Dwarka railway station instead of halting it at Khambhaliya for all these eight hours so that the people get benefited by extending it upto Dwarka, the famous place of pilgrimage in the world;

(d) if so, the time by which the said trolley train is likely to be extended upto Dwarka;

(e) whether the Government have received representations, memoranda and letters from the Members of Parliament to extend the above train up to Dwarka;

(f) if so, the details thereof; and

(g) the action taken by the Government thereon along with the outcome thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) : (a) At present, no rail trolley passenger is running between Rajkot and Khambhaliya. However, 203/204 Mixed Fast Passenger is running between Viramgam and Khambhaliya which arrives Khambhaliya at 22.00 hrs.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) and (d). Extension of 203/204 Mixed Fast Passenger upto Dwarka has been examined but neither found operationally feasible nor desirable due to inconvenient timings at Dwarka.

(e) to (g). Representation has been received from Shri Chandresh Patel, MP for extension of Rajkot-Khambhaliya trolley passenger upto Dwarka. There is no such proposal to extend 203/204 Mixed Fast Passenger upto Dwarka.

*[English]*

**Agreement for Rail over Bridges**

4005. KUMARI FRIDA TOPNO : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Railways have entered into agreements with private entrepreneurs for replacement of railway crossings by high level rail over bridges; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

**Income of Doordarshan/Akashvani by Advertisements/Serials**

4006. SHRIMATI LAKSHMI PANABAKA :
SHRI DATTA MEGHE :

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) the income accrued to Akashvani and Doordarshan from advertisements, serials and other programmes during each of the last three years, till date; and

(b) the amount of profit in the total income, separately during the above period?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM) : (a) The gross revenue of Akashvani and Doordarshan from advertisements, serials and other programmes during each of the last three years, is as under :

(Rs. in crores)

| Year | Akashvani | Doordarshan |
|---|---|---|
| 1993-94 | 64.35 | 372.98 |
| 1994-95 | 64.39 | 398.02 |
| 1995-96 | 80.97 | 430.13 |
| 1996-97 | 47.10 (upto October, 96) | 313.32 (upto November. 96) |

(b) Akashvani and Doordarshan are not commercial organisations and therefore, the question of earning any profit does not arise.

**Damage to Farmers land by KRC**

4007. SHRI CHURCHILL ALEMAO : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government are aware of the grave damage done to the farmers land by the Konkan